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REF: (A) STATE 201122 (B) YAOUNDE 2989 (C) YAOUNDE 2988 (D) YAOUNDE 1450

- 1. SINCE MY ARRIVAL AT POST SEPTEMBER 1, I HAVE MADE AN IN-DEPTH REVIEW OF MISSION STAFFING IN DISCUSSIONS WITH ALL AGENCY HEADS AND IN PERSONAL INTERVIEWS WITH MANY OF THE SUBORDINATE STAFF. I HAVE VISITED ALL (AMERICAN AND HOST COUNTRY) PERSONNEL AT THEIR WORK STATIONS AND THEY ARE ALL DOING WORK IMPORTANT TO OUR OVERALL OBJECTIVES. AGENCY HEADS HAVE REVIEWED REFTEL B AND HAVE CONCURRED IN ITS CONCLUSIONS. ON BASIS MY DISCUSSIONS AND PERSONAL REVIEW OF MISSION STAFFING PATTERNS, I ALSO CONCUR IN REFTELS B AND C.
- 2. FURTHERMORE, I HAVE ALSO REVIEWED PARM PART III ON STATE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS (REFTEL C) AND FIND MYSELF IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS. HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE THAT THE RELOCATION OF THE DOUALA AIRPORT TERMINAL, THE INCREASE FROM ONE TO FOUR AND FIVE COURIER RUNS A WEEK, AND THE VAST INCREASE IN THE MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL AND GOODS (INCLUDING THE CHAD PL-480 PROGRAM AND BUSINESS VISITORS) HAVE COMBINED TO STRETCH THE DOUALA CONSULATE DOUALA RESOURCES TO THE LIMIT. I LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEREFORE RECOMMEND THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDER ASSIGNING ASAP AN ADDITIONAL AMERICAN. THE PRESENT VICE CONSUL CAN HANDLE THE ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL WORK (SEE PARA 7 REFTEL D) AND THEREFORE AN EXCURSION TOUR COURIER OR SECRETARY TO HANDLE THE ADMINISTRATIVE WORK, INCLUDING COURIER EXCHANGES, WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM. ADVISE.

3. I AM STILL EVALUATING THE EFFECTS OF THE JAO DESIGNATION AND WILL FORWARD MY RECOMMENDATIONS ASAP. SMYTHE

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